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Ala Thr Gln Asp Ser Ala Thr Leu Asp Ala Leu Leu Ala Ala Leu Ar
 35 40 45

Arg Ile Gln Arg Ala Asp Leu Val
 50 55

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 5:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 62 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO: 5:

Trp Arg Arg Leu Ala Arg Gln Leu Lys Val Ser Asp Thr Lys Ile As
 1 5 10 15

Ser Ile Glu Asp Arg Tyr Pro Arg Asn Leu Thr Glu Arg Val Arg Gl
 20 25 30

Ser Leu Arg Ile Trp Lys Asn Thr Glu Lys Glu Asn Ala Thr Val Al
 35 40 45

His Leu Val Gly Ala Leu Arg Ser Cys Gln Met Asn Leu Val
 50 55 60

What is claimed is:

1. An antibody specific to the death domain of a death domain-containing regulatory protein selected from the group consisting of NGF-R, MORT-1 and ankyrin 1.

2. An antibody in accordance with claim 1, wherein said antibody is capable of binding to the death domain of more than one of said death domain-containing regulatory proteins.

3. An antibody in accordance with claim 1 comprising a fragment of an antibody specific to the death domain of one of said death domain-containing regulatory proteins, wherein said fragment is capable of binding said death domain.

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4. An antibody in accordance with claim 2 comprising a fragment of an antibody specific to the death domain of one of said death domain-containing regulatory proteins, wherein said fragment is capable of binding the death domain of more than one of said death domain-containing regulatory proteins.

5. An antibody in accordance with claim 1 comprising a monoclonal antibody.

6. An antibody in accordance with claim 2 comprising a monoclonal antibody.

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